

# A Funny Christmas Tradition

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## Ugly Christmas Sweaters

Every year in December, something strange happens. People meet to celebrate the festive season dressed in ugly Christmas sweaters. Christmas sweaters are usually red or green and have large Christmas images on them. For example, a giant elf or snowman, tinsel, Christmas presents with big bows, reindeer with big bright red noses or gingerbread men. They have one thing in common - they are always ugly. Where did this tradition come from?



The answer is the 80s television! Comedy shows helped make ugly Christmas sweaters popular.

Everyone was wearing Christmas sweaters, from primary school teachers to pop stars and your favourite aunty. These days, people think fashion from the 1980s is funny. They wear Christmas sweaters as a joke, not because they want to be fashionable.

1. The month of the year when we celebrate 'ugly Xmas day' is ...
2. What type of pictures **have** the sweaters **got**? Write three examples
3. What **are** the Christmas sweaters colours?
4. **Are** the sweaters cool or ugly?
5. What type of people are wearing Xmas sweaters?
6. Where do **start** the tradition of ugly Christmas sweater?